# Almost everything you need to know about raising rabbits!

Please sign in here!



### Dates!

#### **Breeding Rabbits** -

- Breeding Rabbit Ownership Date: November 1st
- Breeding Rabbit Entry Due Date: November 14th

#### Market Rabbits -

- Market Rabbit Purchase Date: Oct. 2nd
- Market Rabbit Entry Due Date: December 12th
- Market Rabbit Ownership Date: January 10th
- Market Rabbit Validation Date: January 11th

### Showtime!

- Check in 4:00 pm 7:30 pm, Wednesday, January 31st
- Show 8am,
  - Thursday, February 1st
    - Parents must be present for the entirety of the show due to animal drug testing.
- Sale Saturday, February 3rd.

# The facts about breeding rabbits:

- Must be purebred
- Purchased from a reputable breeder
- Do not purchase from a petstore or feedstore
- Californian or New Zealand breeds are best.
- You do not sell them
- You may only show one breeding rabbit.
- Breeding rabbits must have personal tattoo

- Show Classes:
  - This depends on the weight & breed of the rabbit according the ARBA rules.
    - Senior Bucks (over 6 months)
    - Junior Bucks (under 6 months)
    - Senior Does (over 6 months)
    - Junior Does (under 6 months)

You must own your breeding rabbit by November 1st.

## The facts about market rabbits:

- Purchase 5 market rabbits
- Show 3 rabbits
- Sell 3 rabbits
- It is your responsibility to have to bunnies processed at the buyers request
- All you do with the bunnies is feed, weigh, and leave them ALONE!

- Showtime:
  - Weight at showtime 3.5 5.5 pounds.
    - There will be a +/- tolerance of one
       (1) ounce.
  - 5.5 pounds is a MUST!
  - THE BIGGER THE BETTER!!!

# Housing & Carrier

- 1 cage per rabbit
  - Stackable Rabbit Bunny Guinea Pig Cage with Feeder Water Bottle 25 x 25 x 25 inches - <u>Amazon Link</u>
  - LITTLE GIANT Wire Rabbit Hutch Pet Lodge Heavy Duty Galvanized Rabbit Home, Easy to Assemble (24" x • 24") (Item No. AH2424) - <u>Amazon Link</u>
- Must have open bottom with tray underneath or open to fall on the ground.

- Rabbit Carrier/Transport Cage 3 Hole (12x18x10) - <u>Amazon Link</u>
- Can find on craigslist or facebook, some times.







# Housing Location

- In a room indoors, in a shed, in a garage without cars that go in and out. Cannot be in open area outside, must have 4 sides and roof around cages.
- Well ventilated area- if using cages with trays clean daily
- Not in direct sunlight, or wind, or rain
- No heat lamps
- Low noise levels
- No dogs

Feeder - Pet Lodge® Steel Small Animal Feeder with Lid | Cage Rabbit Feeder | Holds Several Days Worth of Food | 5 Inch -Amazon Link



## Other Supplies: Taylor Mechanical

Lixit **3202** Weather Resistant Water Bottles with Heavy Duty Mount for Rabbits and Ferrets (Rabbits) -

Amazon Link



Taylor Mechanical Kitchen Weighing Food Scale Weighs up to 11lbs, Measures in Grams and Ounces, Black and Silver -



Amiloe MAX 33lb
Kitchen Scale with
Measure Length(8inch),
Food Scales Digital
Weight Grams and Oz
with Shrink Hook, 6
Units, Tare Function,
High Precision to
19/0.1oz for Baking and
Cooking - Amazon Link





### What to do once you get your rabbits.

- LEAVE THEM ALONE
- Take to validation January 11th
- LEAVE THEM ALONE FOR 72 HOURS!

#### AFTER 72 HOURS! Daily Routine -

- Weigh and record each rabbits weight LBS & oz.
- Feed 1 cup of fresh feed
- Pour out and refill water
- Clean out tray if your pens have them

## Market Rabbit Action Items

- Complete the google form, which will be sent out tomorrow 9/27 through the rabbit remind and parent email (given tonight) to receive breeder information.
- Buying instructions and breeder information will be emailed to the parent Friday, 9/29.

- Rabbits must be purchased by Monday, Oct. 2.
- Screenshot of purchase must be emailed to roni.sadler@cfisd.net & heater.cox@cfisd.net